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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Fiscal Policy (Calatayud) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with directory and title amendments)**

Between lines 65 and 66

insert:

(b)1. The basis for the agreement for funding students enrolled in a charter school shall be the sum of the school district's operating funds from the Florida Education Finance Program as provided in s. 1011.62 and the General Appropriations Act, including gross state and local funds, discretionary lottery funds, and funds from the school district's current



11 operating discretionary millage levy; divided by total funded  
12 weighted full-time equivalent students in the school district;  
13 and multiplied by the weighted full-time equivalent students for  
14 the charter school. Charter schools whose students or programs  
15 meet the eligibility criteria in law are entitled to their  
16 proportionate share of categorical program funds included in the  
17 total funds available in the Florida Education Finance Program  
18 by the Legislature, including transportation, and the evidence-  
19 based reading allocation. Total funding for each charter school  
20 shall be recalculated during the year to reflect the revised  
21 calculations under the Florida Education Finance Program by the  
22 state and the actual weighted full-time equivalent students  
23 reported by the charter school during the full-time equivalent  
24 student survey periods designated by the Commissioner of  
25 Education. For charter schools operated by a not-for-profit or  
26 municipal entity, any unrestricted current and capital assets  
27 identified in the charter school's annual financial audit may be  
28 used for other charter schools operated by the not-for-profit or  
29 municipal entity within the school district. For charter schools  
30 operated by a not-for-profit entity, any unrestricted current or  
31 capital assets identified in the charter school's annual audit  
32 may be used for other charter schools operated by the not-for  
33 profit entity which are located outside of the originating  
34 charter school's school district, but within this state, through  
35 an unforgivable loan that must be repaid within 5 years to the  
36 originating charter school by the receiving charter school.  
37 Unrestricted current assets shall be used in accordance with s.  
38 1011.62, and any unrestricted capital assets shall be used in  
39 accordance with s. 1013.62(2).



40           2.a. Students enrolled in a charter school sponsored by a  
41 state university or Florida College System institution pursuant  
42 to paragraph (5)(a) shall be funded as if they are in a basic  
43 program or a special program in the school district. The basis  
44 for funding these students is the sum of the total operating  
45 funds from the Florida Education Finance Program for the school  
46 district in which the school is located as provided in s.  
47 1011.62 and the General Appropriations Act, including gross  
48 state and local funds, discretionary lottery funds, and funds  
49 from each school district's current operating discretionary  
50 millage levy, divided by total funded weighted full-time  
51 equivalent students in the district, and multiplied by the full-  
52 time equivalent membership of the charter school. The Department  
53 of Education shall develop a tool that each state university or  
54 Florida College System institution sponsoring a charter school  
55 shall use for purposes of calculating the funding amount for  
56 each eligible charter school student. The total amount obtained  
57 from the calculation must be appropriated from state funds in  
58 the General Appropriations Act to the charter school.

59           b. Capital outlay funding for a charter school sponsored by  
60 a state university or Florida College System institution  
61 pursuant to paragraph (5)(a) is determined pursuant to s.  
62 1013.62 and the General Appropriations Act.

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64 ===== D I R E C T O R Y   C L A U S E   A M E N D M E N T =====

65 And the directory clause is amended as follows:

66           Delete line 26

67 and insert:

68           Section 1. Paragraph (d) of subsection (10), paragraphs (b)



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69 and (e)

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71 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

72 And the title is amended as follows:

73 Delete line 4

74 and insert:

75 enrollment preference for charter schools; authorizing  
76 certain charter schools to use unrestricted current or  
77 capital assets for certain other charter schools  
78 through an unforgivable loan with specified terms;  
79 revising